Child Care Profiles

Office of Early Childhood Development
District of Columbia
Department of Human Services

District of Columbia - Ward 6   December 2004

Child Care in Ward 6

Licensed Child Care Supply = 3,175
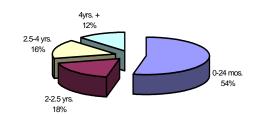
Licensed Center Slots = 2,983

Licensed Home Slots = 192

Licensed Infant Slots = 562

92.5% of all enrolled child care slots are in child development centers

Up to 24 months	15% of center slots
Preschool (2-4 yrs.)	42% of center slots
School age (4 yrs.+)	43% of center slots

Population Facts*

Residents (2000 Census)	57,829
Children under 14	6,114
Children 0 thru 2	1,402
Children 3 thru 4	879
Children 5 thru 13	3,833
Median Income	$41,554
Children in poverty	36.4%
Low-Income Children	57.5%

Children Needing Services

Estimated number of children with all parents working:

★	0-5	1,831
★	6-17	3,560
	Total	5,391

* Source: Census 2000

Children on Waiting Lists

Total	882
Up to 24 months	470
2—2.5 years	158
2.5—4 years	145
Over 4 years	109

- 4yrs. + 12%
- 2.5-4 yrs. 16%
- 2-2.5 yrs. 18%
- 0-24 mos. 54%

Daily Child Care Rates at Child Care Centers

Service Group	Market Rate (75th percentile)	DHS Contract	All Centers
★ Infant	$ 46.60	$ 40.40	$ 40.40
★ Toddler I	$ 43.20	$ 40.40	$ 43.20
★ Toddler II	$ 50.99	$ 38.00	$ 39.72
★ Preschool	$ 36.40	$ 32.77	$ 33.50
★ School-Age	$ 79.17	$ 32.00	$ 32.77

Ward 6 Child Care Center Service Characteristics

Types of Services Offered by Centers

Service Provided	% of Centers
★ Full-time Care	92 %
★ Part-time Care	63 %
★ After School Care	40 %
★ Evening	3 %
★ Weekend	0 %
★ Overnight	0 %
★ Holiday	3 %
★ Drop in	14 %
★ Emergency or Back Up Care	23 %
★ Children with Disabilities	57 %

Types of Providers (by Self-Type)

Provider Type	% of Centers
★ Nonprofit	66 %
★ For Profit	11 %
★ Employer / Corporate	3 %
★ Private School	6 %
★ Government Agency	14 %
★ Head Start	20 %
★ Part of a System	14 %
★ Faith-Based Organization	6 %
★ 23-Hour Center	0 %

Ward 6 Family Home Provider Service Characteristics

Types of Services Offered by Homes

Service Provided	% of Homes
★ Full-time Care	97 %
★ Part-time Care	50 %
★ Evening	44 %
★ Weekend	28 %
★ Overnight	32 %
★ Holiday	12 %
★ Drop in	50 %
★ Emergency or Back Up Care	82 %
★ Children with Disabilities	47 %

Types of Providers (by Self-Type)

Provider Type	% of Homes
★ Nonprofit	6 %
★ For Profit	88 %
★ Employer / Corporate	0 %
★ Private School	0 %
★ Government Agency	3 %
★ Head Start	6 %
★ Part of a System	35 %
★ Faith-Based Organization	0 %
★ 23-Hour Provider	18 %

Other Child Care Facts and Figures

★ 3% of children enrolled at child development centers are children with disabilities.

★ 63% of child development centers are willing to expand their services to care for additional children

★ 29% of providers are willing to extend hours; 6% are willing to expand overnight service.

★ NOTE: 2004 Child Care Profiles are based on current Ward boundaries.